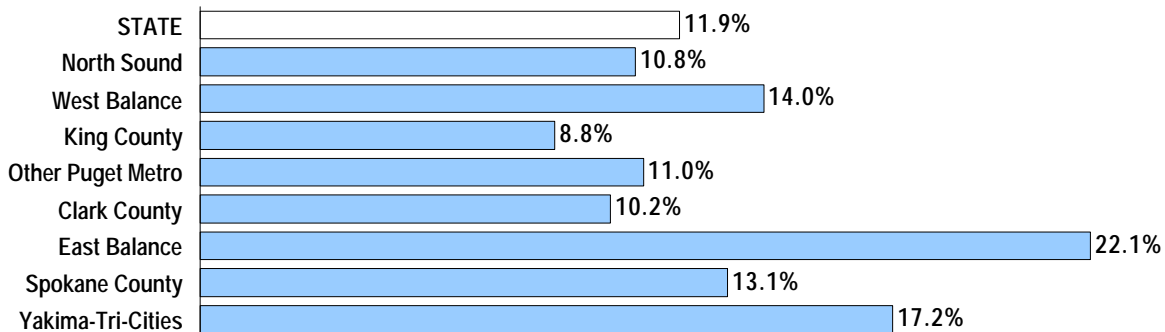
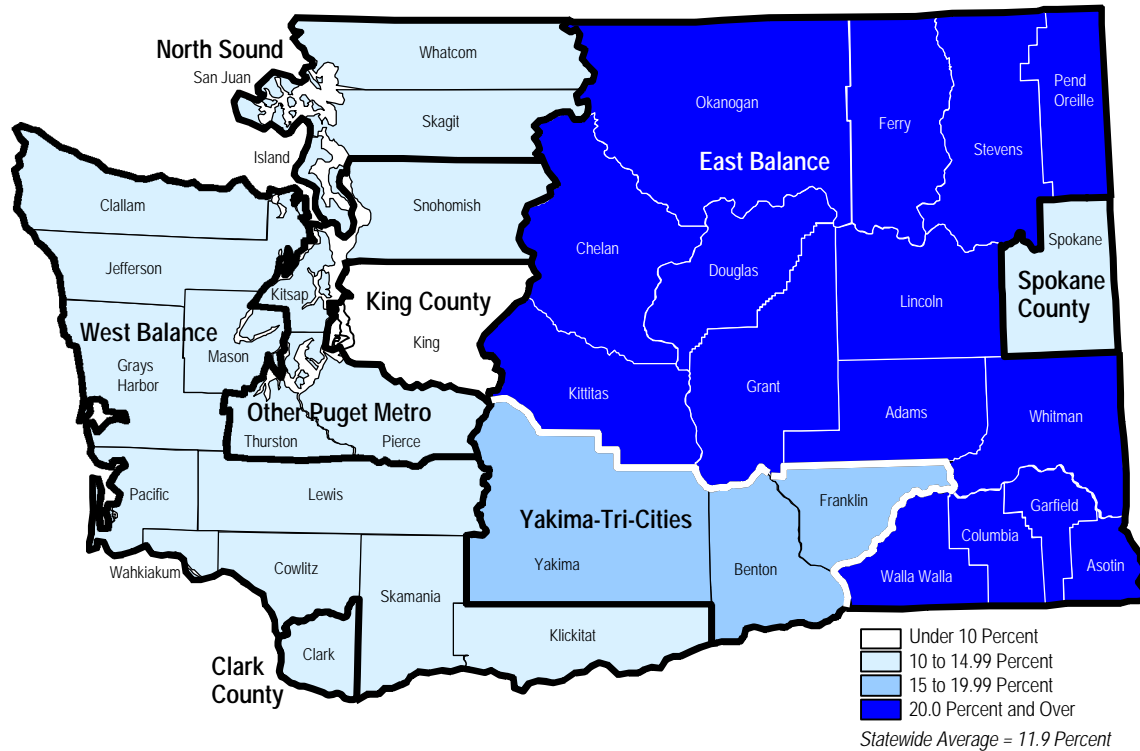


Percent of Families in Poverty

WASHINGTON STATE



- Non-metropolitan areas in Washington have the largest percentages of families in poverty.
- The single exception is the Yakima-Tri-Cities area, which has the second highest proportion of families in poverty.

Poverty is based on 1997 Income and Federal Poverty Level (FPL). For a typical family of four, this was **\$16,400** in 1997.

About the State Population Survey

The **Washington State Population Survey** was conducted in the spring of 1998 to provide social, demographic, and economic information about Washington residents that would otherwise not be available between the 1990 and 2000 federal census years.

Responses to the survey were obtained from telephone interviews of 7,279 households that represent the state population as a whole. The survey was designed by the **Office of Financial Management** and conducted by the **Washington State University Social and Economic Sciences Research Center**.

Data from the survey, as well as a background report titled, *1998 Washington State Population Survey Data Report*, are available electronically at <http://www.wa.gov/ofm/> under **Population/Data**, or by calling the Office of Financial Management at (360) 902-0599.